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Re: New U.S. Patent Application
DIGITAL CAMERA HAVING AN ELECTRONIC ZOOM FUNCTION
By: Masahito NIIKAWA
Attorney Docket: 15162/02810

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following papers relating to DIGITAL CAMERA HAVING AN ELECTRONIC ZOOM FUNCTION, Masahito NIIKAWA, inventor:

- (1) Specification (48 pages, including 11 claims and an abstract);
- (2) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (6 pages);
- (3) Formal Drawings (11 sheets);
- (4) Transmittal letter (1 page) with PrintEFS Patent Application Bibliographic Data (1 page);

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- (5) Transmittal letter (1 page) with Certified Copy of Priority Document (50 pages);
- (6) Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages) with attached PTO-1449 form (1 page) and copies of the cited references (3 references); and
- (7) Assignment (2 pages) of the invention to MINOLTA CO., LTD., with attached Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page) (in duplicate).

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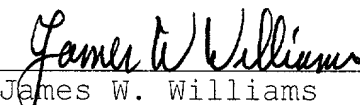
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